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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed January 17, 1995, please amend the above identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification

Page 29, line 10, after "evaporation", delete the comma. Page 30, line 25, change "216" to --218-

In the Claims

Please cancel claims 1–24.

Please insert the following new claims 25–48:

25. A radio frequency identification (RFID) transceiver, comprising

a) first and second covers, at least one of the two covers being composed of a sheet of dielectric film having a layer of an electrically conductive barrier material which is impervious to water vapor; and

b) an RFID transceiver circuit and a battery mounted between the two covers;

c) wherein the transceiver circuit includes antenna coupling circuitry for capacitively coupling the transceiver to the barrier material through the dielectric film so that the barrier material functions as an antenna for the transcriver;

d) whereby the barrier material simultaneously protects the battery from contamination and functions as an antenna.

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